

ETHEL THAT MAN IS SURE TO WIN WHO CAN COMMAND THE SITUATION INSTEAD OF ALLOWING THE SITUATION TO CONTROL HIM.—Hollis Burke Frissell.

# The BETHEL OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN

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## LUMBER LOOKS AHEAD TO GOOD YEAR IN '56

By Lawrence D. Kellogg, President, National Lumber Manufacturer Association, Washington, D.C.

Next year will be a good year to buy lumber.

Lumber is one of the few major building materials in plentiful supply, and the current supply is backed up by an increasing surplus of forest growth over timber being cut.

There will be good buys, especially in the do-it-yourself market in which a rapidly growing number of experienced home craftsmen have learned to get the most out of economy grades, "shorts" and other bargain lumber for both utility and decorative value.

Millions of Americans will buy lumber in 1956 and they have the assurance that they can get the right grade for the right use.

Both nature and the law of supply and demand have operated to bring about these favorable market conditions. Wood is our only renewable resource. Private forestry enterprise, confident of a continuing and growing demand for lumber, is renewing this resource at an unprecedented rate.

Many Americans may be surprised to learn that if it were not for insects, fire and other destruction, the cubic volume growth of all timber would now be 60 per cent greater than the cut. As it is, growth less the loss to destructive elements—exceeds the amount cut by 32 per cent.

Also, sawtimber (timber large enough for sawlogs) that was cut and lost to destructive elements exceeded growth by 60 per cent ten years ago. There has been a tre-

### COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

1955 is almost history now. In looking back over the year, I can see some of my many errors, yet in spite of these perhaps some things have been accomplished. We perhaps should note the rebuilding of Philbrook and Park Streets, the replacement of Meadow Brook Bridge, new shed at the Town garage lot and the Mercury Vapor lights now on trial. Improvement of East Bethel road and some of those leading off it. These things are of course only possible to do with your tax dollars.

Do you wish to purchase a new pumper at this time for the Fire Dept.? Town meeting Friday at eight o'clock in the evening to decide.

This is your choice.

1956 is just ahead. What do you want in 1956? Rebuilding of Elm St. as well as some others that need attention? Do you wish to improve the street lights in Town? I believe some improvement can be made without any additional cost.

I feel certain that it is the wish of the Town officials and those of us in your employ in the Town office to carry out your wishes and desires to make Bethel a better place in which to live and to enjoy that living.

Happy New Year.

O. T. Rozelle

## IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones of Lewiston were week end guests of Mrs. H. J. Bean.

Gardiner Smith has been out from his work at Chaplin's Shell Station three weeks due to a bad arm.

Mrs. Viola Gibbs, Cheryl and Bill, spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Wilson.

Miss Mary Lee Selling arrived Tuesday from Winter Park, Fla., to visit with Miss Donna Bartlett.

Mrs. Irene Marcus of New York City is spending several days with her son, Walter Marcus, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Smith and daughter spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trimble in North Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and family of Norway were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Hathaway and Dianne.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bourgon of Philadelphia are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Van Den Kerkhoven.

Mrs. John Lane and son Charles of North Brookfield, Mass., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dana Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Bartlett and son Ronald of Hampden were guests of Mrs. Walter Bartlett Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Lilian Coburn returned to Rumford Tuesday after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lord.

Mr. Donald Lord returned Tuesday to Nahant, Mass., after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lord.

Miss Jackie Macfarlane, Boston, and William Wilkins, Quincy, Mass., were week end guests of Miss Macfarlane relatives here.

The Men's Brotherhood met on Thursday evening, Dec. 27, at the Methodist Church. Supper was served at 6:30 by committee, Donald Christie and Evans Wilson.

Miss Jane Luxton celebrated her 10th birthday Dec. 25th, with a party at her home. Guests were Kathleen and Carol Brown, Merry Sylvia and Beverly York, Laurre Nancy and Becky Brown. Games were played and refreshments were served.

State Senator Henry W. Boykin was slightly injured last Thursday evening when his car was struck by another car as he entered the driveway to his home. Cuts and bruises on were also suffered by the occupant of the other car. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goss and two daughters of Presque Isle AFB, both cars were damaged considerably.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coolidge entertained at a family Christmas party Sunday afternoon. A buffet style lunch was served, games were played and everyone gathered around the piano to sing Christmas carols. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Hanno Cushman, Clinton; Sylvia and Rose, of Bryant Pond; Mr. and Mrs. Wills McGuire, Joyce and Bill, of West Peru; Mr. and Mrs. Etta McGillicutty, Norma Joanne and Connie, of West Peru; Mr. and Mrs. G. Cushman, Sandra and Joanie, of Augusta; Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Cushman and daughter, Shirley, of Bryant Pond; Mr. and Mrs. George Cushman of Bryant Pond; Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Felt and children, Robert, Linda, Linda and Catherine of Bethel, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coolidge and daughter, Carol.

## The Week in Oxford County

Rumford Community Hospital at Orono Dec. 23-30 are: William Crooker, East Andover; Carleton Tyler, Bethel; Russell Hayford, Canton Point; Robert Payne, Damariscotta; Richard Hammond, East Hiram; Karen Jill, South Paris; Sandra Olson, Bethel; Frances Buck, Buckfield; Cynthia Dalley, Canton; Beverly Cyr, East Waterford.

Mrs. Kenneth Wilson of Peru was hospitalized Monday afternoon for injuries received when the car she was driving tipped off and over from a bridge on Pleasant St. The car broke loose while being towed. Mrs. Wilson was reported from Rumford hospital to be suffering from broken ribs and probably other injuries.

Wilmer Wood Products Company, South Paris, announces a pay increase to its employees of approximately 5%. It will be effective Jan. 1.

Oxford County 4-H Club members attending the State Contest

At the close of another year we realize how important your friendship and good will have been to us. We appreciate the opportunity the Holiday Season brings to say "Thank You" and wish you a

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THE CITIZEN STAFF

## COUNTY SHERIFFS TO HAVE RADIO SERVICE

It has been announced by Sheriff James Lassiter that five two-way radios have been authorized for the Oxford County Sheriff's Department.

The sets will be installed in the Sheriff's car and those of four permanent officers: Chief Deputy Albert Grover of Bethel, Deputy Archie McAllister of Bucksfield, Deputy Louis Fontaine of Rumford, and Deputy Frank Ballard of Fryeburg. Installation is expected in late February.

Mrs. Sylvia Sloan, Norma Jean and Edwin, and Mrs. Norman Johnson left Thursday to spend several months at Daytona Beach, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" Clough and Karen will leave for Springfield, Mass., this week end. Mr. Clough will enter Springfield College Monday morning.

Paul Salway of Greenfield, Mass., has spent several days recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Smith and spent Christmas Day with his sons.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hathaway called on Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dunham Sunday. They also had Christmas dinner at her parents', Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Day's, Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Perkins left this Thursday morning after spending a week with his brother, Richard Perkins, returning to Wayne, Pa., where he is a teacher in Valley Forge Military Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Glines entertained over the Christmas holiday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. MacGraughan and son Berk of Bucksport, Mr. and Mrs. David Glines of Andover, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Richardson and son Tim of Hanover. Mrs. Katherine Adams, Miss Marilyn Adams, Roscoe Truett of Thompsonville, Conn., Terry Truett of Auburn, Herbert Adams of U. of N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Roger Adams, Miss Lorna Shumway, Peter Shumway of Lyndfield Center, Mass., Miss Sarah Dorion of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Glines, Gregory Field and Kristin, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bodwell, Mrs. Marion Scott, Miss Barbara Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Paine, Linda and Richard, Mrs. Ruth Dorion.

NOTICE

To Roderick McMillin, a Constable of the Town of Bethel in the County of Oxford and State of Maine.

Greeting:

In the name of the State of

Maine, you are hereby required to

notify and warn the inhabitants of

the Town of Bethel in said County

and State, qualified by law to

vote in Town affairs to meet at

Odeon Hall in said Town on Fri-

day, the thirtieth day of December,

A. D. 1955 at eight o'clock in

the evening, and then to act on

the following articles to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator

Art. 2. To see if the Town will

vote to authorize the Selectmen

and Treasurer to select and pur-

chase a fire pumper and accessories.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will

vote to authorize the Selectmen

and Treasurer to borrow a sum of

\$12,000.00 for the purchase of

a fire pumper and accessories. Selectmen and Treasurer to make such terms as are necessary for the re-payment of the loan.

The Selectmen hereby give notice

that they will be session in the

Town Manager's office, Dec. 27, 28,

and 29, 1955, for the purpose of

correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands this

twenty-second day of December A.D. 1955.

Carroll E. Abbott

Harold G. Bennett

Richard Carter

John H. Carter

Robert S. York

Selectmen of the Town of Bethel

## GOULD STUDENTS IN MERIT SEMI-FINALS

Three Gould Academy students among the 31 Maine secondary school students to advance to the semifinals of the nationwide scholarship contest conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. They are Eleanor E. Marlam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon E. Marlam of Damariscotta; Matts Myhrman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Anders Myhrman of Lewiston and Barbara Schaefer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul E. Schaefer of Durham, N. H.

More than 50,000 students entered the contest nationally and 5,178 were selected for the semi-final examinations which are scheduled for January 14.

E. P. Brown is spending some time at his home in town.

Mrs. Harriett Hall has returned home from the Rumford Community Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Douglass were in Pemaquid over the Christmas

holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Swan at Holt Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Merrill are moving into their new home on the West Bethel road Friday.

Robert Blodge Jr. of Boston is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Blodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul King, Geraldine and Pauline, visited Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith in Tilton, N. H. Wednesday.

Lee Carroll returned to Boston Tuesday after spending the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Stevens of Norway were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fraser and family on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Cushman and family of Augusta were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coolidge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Strout and family of Mechanic Falls were recent callers of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Felt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul King, entered Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bowerman and son Thomas of North Waterford for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Carter spent the holiday with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Johnson, in Arlington, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lincoln and family left today to spend the rest of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Sanger Cook at Pittsfield.

Ronald Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Snyder, left for the service Dec. 8. He is in the U.S. Navy, stationed at Balmoral, Md.

Mrs. Abby Brown and Miss Nancy Brown left this morning (Thursday) to spend the rest of the week with Miss Arlene Brown in Haverhill, Mass.

Roscoe Truett of Thompsonville, Conn., and Sarah Darlow of Boston, Mass., will arrive Friday to spend the holiday with Mrs. Ruth Dorion.

On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Evans Wilson, Miss Minnie Wilson, Bethel, Malvern Wilson of Turner joined a Christmas gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lapland in Rumford.

The Western Maine Fireman's Association will meet on Monday

Jan. 2 at the South Paris Fire Station.

Supper will be served from 6:30 to 8. There will be movies and a speaker from the State Highway Department.

Mr. Scott Guernsey will leave Friday to report for reassignment at Westover Field, Mass., after spending a few weeks leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Guernsey.

He has been stationed in Texas for several months.

G. L. Kneeland, D. O.

General Practice

Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted

Hours 10 a.m.—12 m.; 2:45—6:30 p.m.

Except Thursday Afternoons and Sundays

Tel. 84

## D. GROVER BROOKS

D. Grover Brooks passed away early Saturday morning, Dec. 24, at his home on Main Street.

He was born in Upton April 8, 1892, the son of Aldana and Mary King Brooks. He received his education in the Upton schools, Gould Academy, and Burdett Business College, Boston.

In 1917 he purchased the hardware store and building of the late N. F. Brown, which he closed when called into the service in May, 1918. He served with the machine gun company, 109th Infantry, at St. Mihiel, France, where he was wounded on Sept. 6, 1918.

He married Miss Alice Etta Joy of South Berwick on July 2, 1919, and that month reopened his store here, which with Mrs. Brooks' lifelong cooperation developed into one of the largest businesses of its kind in Western Maine. Mrs. Brooks' death occurred on Nov. 21, 1954.



Brooks Bros., Inc.



COTTON'S



Cole's Hardware &amp; Variety

## BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR 1956



Shaw's Market

Open Friday until 8 p. m. Closing Saturday 6 p. m.

## Happy New Year



Ruth Carver Ames



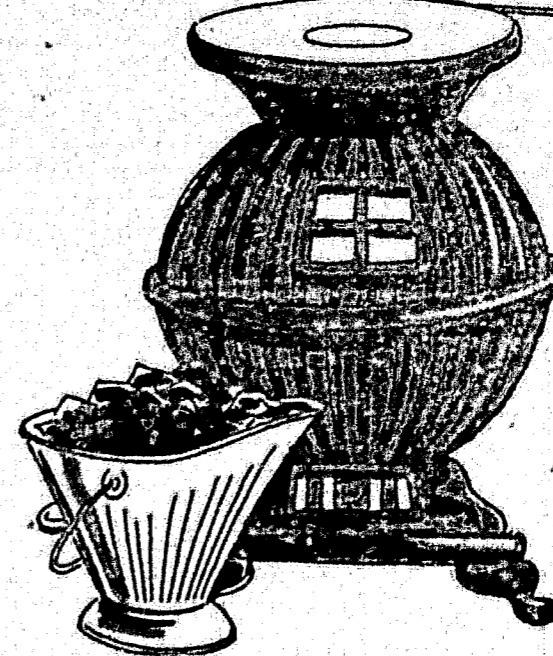
We take this means of  
thank you for your  
past patronage.  
EDWARD P. LYON



We hope the year will  
be a prosperous one.  
BENNETT'S  
GARAGE INC.

Best Wishes  
for 1956

## Happy New Year



Central Taxi  
AND BOWLING ALLEYS

Dick and Alma Young



To all our friends  
...both old and new.  
BOB'S SPORT SHOP

## GREETINGS



WE HOPE TO  
SERVE YOU  
AGAIN THIS YEAR  
1956

Grand Trunk Railway  
Railway Express Agency, Inc.  
Western Union Telegraph Co.  
J. RUSSELL GRAHAM, Agent



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## BRYANT PO

Mrs. Edith G.  
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**BRYANT POND**

— Mrs. Edith G. Abbott, Corres.

**MRS. BENJAMIN R. BILLINGS**

Mrs Nelle A Billings, wife of Benjamin R. Billings, died Dec. 23 at her home in Bryant Pond.

She was born at Hartford, Conn., June 8, 1876, and married Mr. Billings in 1902.

She was a member of the Bryant Pond Baptist Church; of Franklin Grange, No. 24, P. of H.; Jefferson Chapter, Order of Eastern Star and the Star Birthday Club. She was formerly active in the Woodstock Extension Association; and a past president and honorary member of the Bryant Pond Garden Club. Always interested in town affairs, she was a faithful and tireless worker for the welfare of the community as long as her health permitted.

She is survived by her husband; a step-son, James D. Billings, Bryant Pond and a step-daughter, Mrs. Hugh MacDougall, Tuscarora, Md. Funeral services were held at the Bryant Pond Baptist Church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. Gunnar Lindahl officiating. Members of the OES attended in a body. Bearers were Elden Hathaway, Harold Tyler, Harold Dunlap and Howard MacKillop. Relatives and friends from out-of-town attending the services included Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown, Norway; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brown, Cumberland; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Glavin and son, Solon; Roydon Billings, Milford; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hooper, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. J. Douglas Thompson, Corinna and Mrs. Bebbie Mann, West Paris.

A Christmas party, including a tree and exchange of gifts, was held at the stated meeting of Jefferson Chapter OES Friday night. Carols were also sung after the meeting. It was voted to accept the invitation from Granite Chapter, West Paris, to attend their Good Neighbor meeting on Jan. 12. Refreshments were served in charge of Frank Bean, Ben Warner Jr., and Russell McAllister, assisted by other brothers. The "Seventh Degree" will be a feature at the next meeting, Jan. 20.

Mrs. Elsa Cole spent several days, including the Christmas week end, with her brother, Robert Cushman, and family at Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Elden Hathaway and family joined a family party Monday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Bennett, Locke Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crockett were the guests Christmas Day of his aunt, Mrs. Harry Emery and family, West Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Whitman were at Lynn, Mass., over the week end, the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bertrand Whitman.

Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Abbott were their daughters, Mrs. Robert Farrington and Mrs. Donald Bennett, with their families, and Miss Linda Fannington.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morgan entertained about 30 at a family tree, Monday afternoon. Their son, Maurice Morgan and family, South Woodstock, were dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Blake, Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Farnum were at South Paris Sunday afternoon, with his sister, Mrs. Norma Tirrell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews entertained a large family group on Christmas Day, which included their five daughters, Mrs. Arthur Wardwell, South Albany; Mrs. Harris Hathaway, Mrs. Theodore Dunham, Mrs. Linwood Elling and Mrs. Gordon Farnum, with their families.

**LOCKE MILLS**

— Mrs. Florence Swift, Cor.

Harold Marshall, who was home for the holidays, has returned to the VA Hospital, Togus. Miss Marlene Marshall was also home over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford were guests of his mother at Summer, Sunday, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mason spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford.

Dwight Martin, who has been a patient at Rumford Hospital, returned to his home last week. He will be unable to work for some time.

Cecil Kimball was able to be discharged from the CMC Hospital Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan had a family party of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Swan and family, Miss Lella Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Noyes and children, for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Valley entertained for dinner, Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Valley Jr. and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Illeson and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Bryant and son, William, Mrs. Dorothy Pulkkinen, Mrs. Ruby Heaton.

Rodney Swift, Hawthorne, N. Y., visited his parents over the holiday. Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. George Stowell Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. George Biden, had a family party at their parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swift, and also visited with their brother, Rodney.

**LAFF OF THE WEEK**

...Sort of in between the color of these two threads only darker with more yellow in it."

**EAST BETHEL**

— Mrs. David Foster, Corres.

Gene Burns was a Christmas guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Honkula and family of Salsbury, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Tamminen and son, David, of Yarmouth, were holiday guests of Mrs. Ruth Hastings.

Edward Hastings was home for the holidays from his work in North Conway, New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Springer of Martha's Vineyard, Mass., were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings.

Mrs. Edith Howe returned Monday to Larchmont, N. Y., after visiting relatives here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and son, Lovell, were holiday guests of Orville Farwell.

Willard Farwell has regained consciousness at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston, where he was taken after an accident on Christmas eve.

Delwin Long who was in the same accident is reported much better and will soon be home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Bean of Rumford and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Graves of West Bethel were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith, Jr., of Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. Neil Gross and son, Alvin, of Jefferson, N. H., were holiday guests to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. David Foster, June

**SOUTH WOODSTOCK**

— Olive P. Davis, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Davis took their slater, Mrs. Lillian Harmon, to Bridgton, Sunday. They spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews and family, enjoying a Christmas dinner and a tree there. Mrs. Harmon returned after a week's visit with the Davis family.

Miss Suzanne Andrews is home from Gould Academy to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Andrews.

Morris Morgan has returned home from the hospital where he underwent eye surgery.

Elaine Thurlow and Cynthia Bowers are home from South Lancaster, Mass., for Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tuck and two children of Waltham came Friday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Tuck's folks, Mrs. Martha Holkkonen, Weino, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Holkkonen. Mrs. Martha Holkkonen returned to Waltham with them on Monday morning for a little visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Jefferson, Mr. and Mrs. Lauri Leino, and Judy, and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Waltham joined with the Holkkonen family Sunday evening for their Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Davis took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Daniele Bryant Monday at Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Andrews, Muriel Mullen and two children, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Andrews at Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenwood Andrews entertained Mrs. Andrews' mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hallock from Teddington, Mass., over the holidays.

Rev. and Mrs. Alton Verrell entertained their daughters, sons, and families: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Verrell, Mr. and Mrs. Erland Blood and children, Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Moore and family, Leon Verrell and Robert Waugh over the holidays.

SP4 Hugh Swan has been spending a 10 day furlough from Fort Bragg, N. C. at the home of his mother Mrs. Eva Swan.

**ALBANY HUNTS CORNER AND VICINITY**

— Mrs. Harlan Bumpus, Corres.

The supper and Christmas Tree

was held at the church Thursday evening.

There will be no more suppers until spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Snyder, Jr.,

of Higganum, Conn., spent the

Christmas week end with her par-

ent, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Morrill spent

Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wal-

ter Clark and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spinney visit-

ed Mr. E. H. Smith and family at

Mechanic Falls, Monday af-

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Everyone is pleased that Clyde

Hall has returned home and is in

good health. His brother, Norman,

of Bethel, visited him Friday af-

ternoon.

Miss Lorraine Leighton is spend-

ing a few days of her Christmas

vacation at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bumpus and

family spent Christmas Day with

Mrs. Laura Bumpus and family at

Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews were

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and

Mrs. Keniston and daughter, Llona.

Sunday evening guests of Mr.

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Nutting of Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Archer Knight and

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Cameron and

son were Christmas dinner guests

of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hall and

daughter, Aslene.

Pfc. Urban Winslow has been

spending his furlough with Mr. and

Mrs. Alfred Leighton and family.

Upon his return he expects to be

sent to Hawaii.

Robert Parker, who has been

visiting Mrs. Nell Gross in Jeffers-

on, N. H., for a week, has returned

home.

Bobby Dorey was holiday guest

of Mrs. Geraldine Dorey in Bethel.

Mrs. Ida Blake and Victor Rob-

inson were holiday guests of Mrs.

Hilda Swan. Other guests were Mr.

and Mrs. Curvier Hutchinson of

Farmington and Mr. and Mrs. Char-

le Reed of Bethel.

Miss Shirley Bartlett was home

over the holidays from her duties

at the Massachusetts General Hos-

pital in Boston. Miss Marie Mills

of Bethel was an overnight guest

of Miss Bartlett, Sunday. Miss

Bartlett returned to Boston, Mon-

day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peare and

Pauline of Rumford Corner were

holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al

Curtis.

Word has been received from

Bernard Bartlett of Pleasant Hill,

Cliff, that he had been flooded

out of his home for several days.

Fortunately their furnishings were

not destroyed as they were warn-

ed in time enough so they could

raise them on blocks above the

floor. Water came over the floors

to a depth of 6 to 8 inches.

CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all who

extended comforting sympathy and

help in our recent sorrow. For the

beautiful service, floral offerings,

and other kindnesses, we are deeply

grateful.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Brooks

and family

Donald Brooks

Gerry Brooks

Mrs. Agnes Twaddle

SALES and SERVICE

O. K. CLIFFORD CO., Inc.

So. Paris, Maine Tel 307

**Taking chances may be****part of growing up—****But when you're a man****IT'S KID STUFF!**

This fellow takes chances. He's a crazy driver.

Why? For attention! So—people will know he's around. He thinks it makes him stand out. Same as when he was a kid.

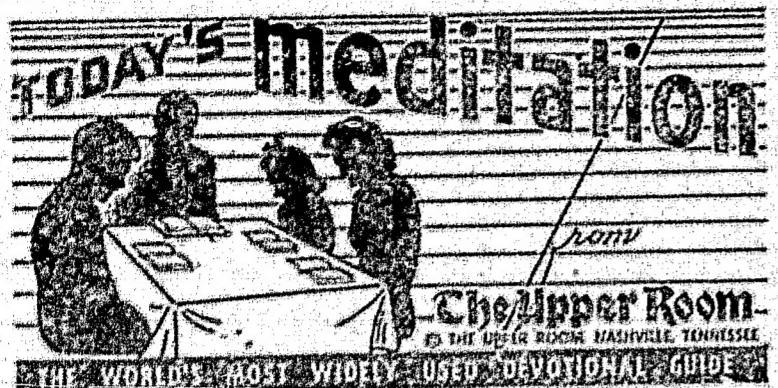
If he only knew!

His friends have him pegged—"strictly Juvenile." They have an expression—"Careless driving is kid stuff!" That's him.

If he only knew, he'd wise up and drive right.

An official public service message prepared by  
The Advertising Council in cooperation with the  
National Safety CouncilCARELESS DRIVING  
IS KID STUFF!**NEWRY**

— on Mrs. Ida Vall.



Thursday, December 29

Read Matthew 20:1-10.  
The last shall be first, and the  
first last. (Matthew 20:10.)

**O**NE day the mother of twelve children was asked: "Surely with so many children, you must have favorites among them, do you not?" The mother smiled gently and replied, "Of course. All twelve, boys and angels alike, are my favorites."

That is how God looks upon us. He loves a new convert to His faith fully as much as he loved St. Francis of Assisi. God loves the worst sinner, although He hates his sins and wrongdoing. He loves you as a Christian just as much as he did Paul, or as He loves the oldest saint in your church.

God plays no favorites. The ear-

est Christian is as dear to Him as the one being born this moment into the kingdom. He loves that newly born one fully as much as He does the holiest preacher in the land. He loves us all and is sorry for our misdeeds. God loves us for what we are. Our task is to make our selves, in the strength of Christ, as worthy as we can be of His love.

## Prayer

O Lord, Thou hast blessed each of us with the benediction of Thy love. Help us to be worthy of Thy love. To that end nurture us in Christ to the honor and glory of Thy name. For the Master's sake. Amen.

**Thought For The Day**  
To love God is to live for God, and to know His great love in return. —Paul K. McAlister (Alabama)

**LOCKE MILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Charles L. Pendleton, Minister  
Mrs. Richard McEvily,  
Choir Director

Raymond Swan, Sunday School Superintendent

9:30 a. m. Morning Worship. The morning sermon is entitled "The Limits of Perfection."

10:30 a. m. Sunday School.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES**

There will be Catholic Mass at the American Legion Hall at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

Authorized Christian Science Literature and textbook may be found in the Public Library.

Scriptural readings: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he is trusted in thee." (Isaiah 26:3).

**BRYANT POND UNIVERSALIST CHURCH**

Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30, Gordon Newell, Pastor.

Church School at 10:45, Mrs. Roma Howe, Supl.

Choir Rehearsal Thursday evening at home of Morle Ring, Mrs. Avis Stollhorn, organist.

Tuesday, Jan. 3, at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School teachers had regular monthly meeting at Parsonage for January.

Thursday, Jan. 5:

3:30 p. m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

6:30 p. m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

Friday, Jan. 6, at 7 p. m. Leadership Training Session for Teachers and Leaders of Youth in the Methodist Churches of Central Oxford County. Rev. Alfred Ivens of Lewiston will be Director of this training session, to be held in the Bethel Methodist Church.

**WEST PARISH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

Charles L. Pendleton, Minister  
Mrs. John Tabbals, Choir Director  
Mrs. Dawn Christie, Organist

Services for Sunday, Jan. 1

9:30 a. m. Church School.

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship. Holy Communion will be observed. The morning sermon is entitled "The Limits of Perfection." Mrs. Walter Marcuse will be the soloist.

6:30 p. m. Pilgrim Fellowship.

Thursday, Jan. 5, 2:30 p. m. Ladies' Club meeting at the home of Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven. Mrs. Charles Merrill is in the charge of the program.

## V. A. NEWS LETTER

## Questions and Answers

Q—I am the widow of a World War II veteran who died of a service-connected disability, and I have never remarried. Would I be eligible for a GI home loan, even though my husband made use of his loan benefit before he died?

A—Yes. The fact that your husband used his GI loan benefit would not serve to prevent you from getting a GI loan in your own right.

Q—I am taking farm training under the Korean GI Bill. I know that I must train full time, but is there any rule against doing a little outside work if it doesn't interfere with my training?

A—You may work for pay outside of your training, so long as you do not put in more than 150 hrs. during any 12-month period, and so long as the school finds that your outside work does not interfere with your studies.

Q—What date does VA consider a GI insurance premium to have

been paid, the date I put the check in the mail or the date the check reaches VA?

A—The postmark date on the envelope is considered as the date the premium was paid.

Q—How do I go about changing my program of training under the Korean GI Bill?

A—You must apply to VA for a change on VA Form 7-1954. Included must be a report of progress and conduct from your present school. This application form goes to the VA regional office that has your records.

Kingsman, Ariz., Mohave Miner: "Nothing serves as a better barometer of the condition of a community or a state than its newspaper. Many first impressions are made by the community newspaper and it can either promote or detract from its area."

## MIDDLE INTERVALE

Ernest Blaize is confined to his bed as the result of injuries received a few weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley, Dawn Lee and Warren, also Ronald Tilton of South Portland called at H. S. Stanley's on Monday.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carey Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens were Randolph Stevens, Sarah Morgan and Jimmy Swan.

A family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward on Christmas included: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howe and son, Robert, of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lairvey and three children of South Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carter and family attended the family gathering at Alice Capan's on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and family of Bailey's Island were the guests of her father, Randolph Stevens, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bean and family were holiday guests at the home of her father, Roland Hayes, of Shelburne, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Clough and Karen were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Rice. Following dinner, the Cloughs and Rees went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Clough for their annual family Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Blaize had as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Abbott and family and Mrs. Albert Abbott of Rumford Point and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Angevine and family.

Mr. Clyde Brooks had as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney

## GILEAD

Mrs. Florence Holder, Corres.

Mrs. Florence Holder and sons, Clayton and Raymond, spent Christmas with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richardson in Monmouth.

Mrs. Eleanor Jordan of Groveton, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Robertson Jr. of Canton, Mass., were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Robertson.

Donald Tyler, who has spent a furlough at his home here returned to Washington, D. C., Wednesday.

Lawrence Robertson St. returned to the St. Louis Hospital, Berlin, N. H., Monday for treatments.

Brooks and Timmy; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brooks and Jackie; Maurice Brooks; Matthew and Norton; Dolores Lane; Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom and family; and Mr. and Mrs. Dona Chretien, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davis were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamlin of Falmouth Foreside Friday night. They joined Mrs. Alma LaFayette at her home for dinner on Saturday. Mrs. LaFayette returned home with the Davises Saturday night and spent the remainder of the holiday with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dock had as Christmas dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davis and Mrs. Alma LaFayette.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeland Clark were Christmas Eve dinner guests of the Richard Davises.

Callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davis during the holiday week end included Gail Waldron and Owen Bacon of Poland.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamlin and family of Falmouth Foreside called on relatives during the week end.

Christmas Day callers at the home of Florence Brooks were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mitchell and family of South Paris.

Mrs. Patricia Judson of Unity is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnol Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnol Brown and Arnol K were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Greig.

## WINTER IS GOOD TIME FOR SEASONING TIMBER

Winter is a good time for seasoning timber because it will season more slowly at this time of year and with less checking (cracking) than during the warmer months. Also, insects and fungi which attack freshly cut wood are less active during the winter. Contrary to popular belief, it's not when you cut timber, but how well you season it that counts in getting the greatest value from posts, poles, and logs. The common belief that timber should be cut "when the sap is down" is not supported by the facts, says Lewis P. Blasell, Maine Extension Service forestry specialist. There's practically no difference in moisture content of green wood in winter and summer. Peeling bark, of course, is easier in the spring.

## TOP 4-H MEMBERS ATTENDING STATE 4-H CAMP THIS WEEK

Ten outstanding 4-H club members, including five boys and five girls, are attending State 4-H Club Contest at the University of Maine Wednesday and Thursday of this week, December 28 and 29. In addition, all local 4-H leaders and assistants who have successfully completed the past 4-H year are invited. Featured speaker at both the members' and leaders' meetings is George Foster, of Washington, D. C., associate national leader of 4-H club and young men's and women's programs. Maine 4-Hers were proud to learn that Michael Andrew, of Gorham, had won top national honors and a wrist watch in vegetable demonstrations at the NJVGA convention in New Orleans.

To cultivate a garden is to walk with God.

## 1956

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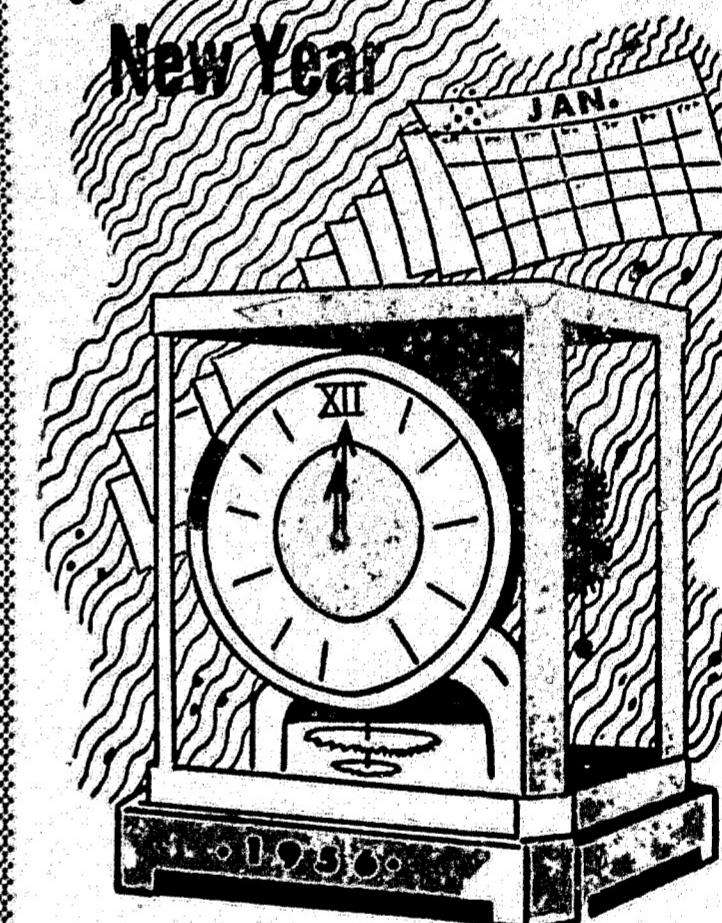
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## Gould Academy

Elwood F. Ireland, Headmaster

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## CLASSIFIED AD SECTION

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE** - Majestic gas and oil range, maple living room set, dressers, other household furnishings. Must be sold Friday. BUD CLOUGH. 52p

**FOR SALE** - Heavy Duty Vinyl covered storage blossoms bulk to accommodate tank-type vacuum cleaner. \$10.50 each. STANLEY DAVIS, Bethel, Maine. 611f

Kelvinator Refrigerator. Interior 18-18-22 inches. Ice cube box. All in A1 condition. \$45. D. H. MASON. 481f

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**WANTED** - Rubbish to haul. Weekly. TEL 174. After 5 o'clock. 51-2p

## Conservation Farming In Oxford County

by Douglas L. Marston  
Soil Conservation Service  
The United States Forest Service recently released a preliminary Timber Resource Review. These were the findings from studies made to see how our timber supply was standing up under the heavy cutting that has been carried on to meet the demand for wood.

The study also indicates that the demand for wood is increasing. Although there has been improvement in the rate of progress of forest management, the Review further states that there will have to be a considerably greater increase in better management if we are to meet the timber demands by the year 2000. The Review states that timber growth will have to be from 70 to 120 per cent greater than it is now. The Review also states that about one-quarter of the forest land is poorly stocked or understocked.

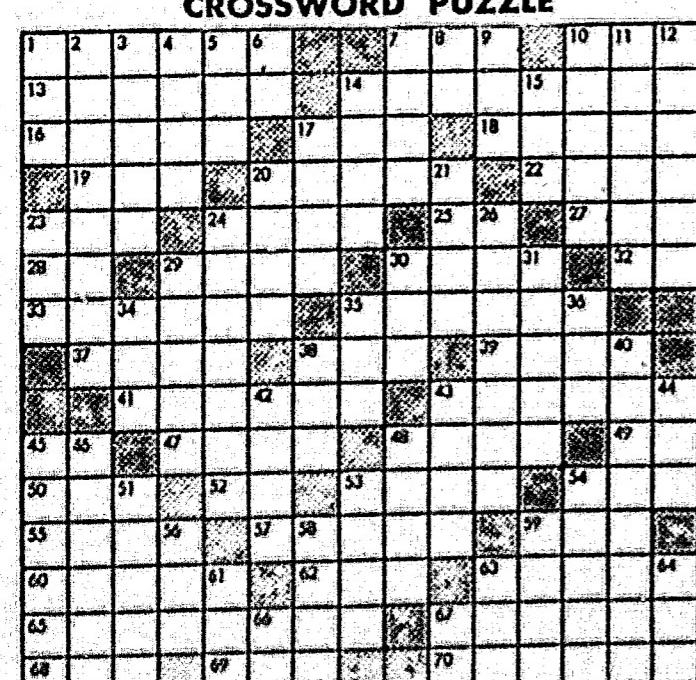
To sum this up, it would certainly seem that a good growing timber lot was a valuable asset. It would also seem that we cannot afford to have too much land pro-

duced nothing but brush or other useless types of wood.

If you have idle land growing up to brush maybe it could be planted to good quality seedling trees. If you plan to cut in your present woodlot, maybe a little care in selecting the trees to be cut would leave a sufficient number of young growing trees to keep the area well stocked and continually productive.

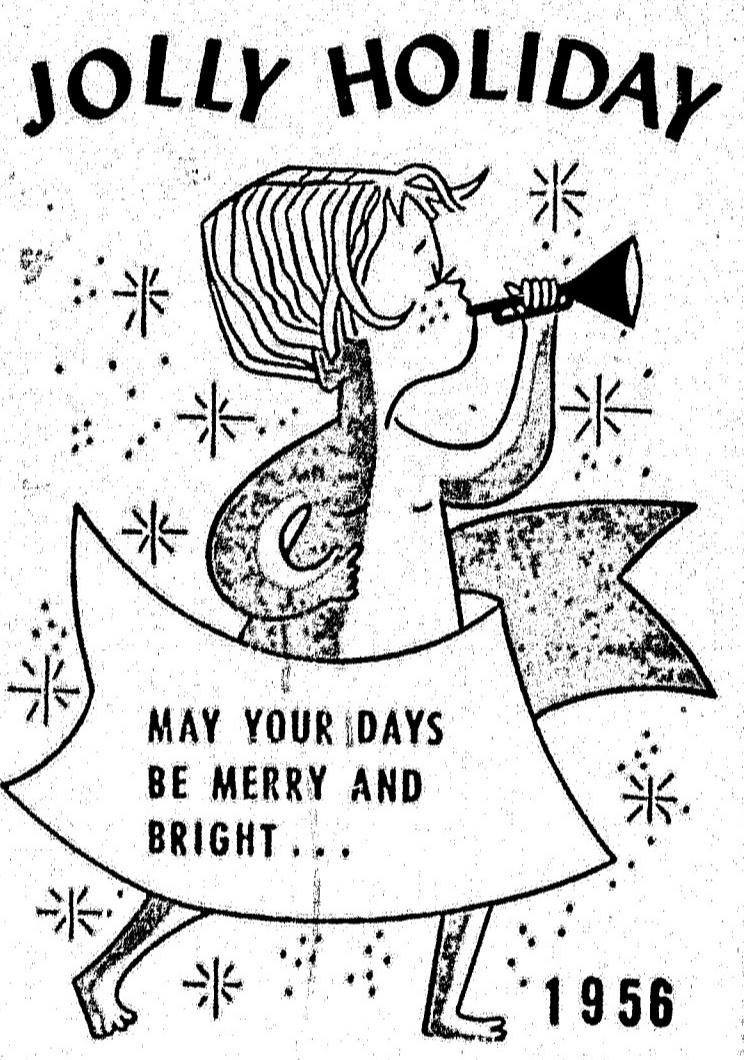
Many people seem to think that when cutting in a lot that you must take all trees to make it profitable. This is certainly false reasoning and has resulted in the condition which we find in our forest today.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

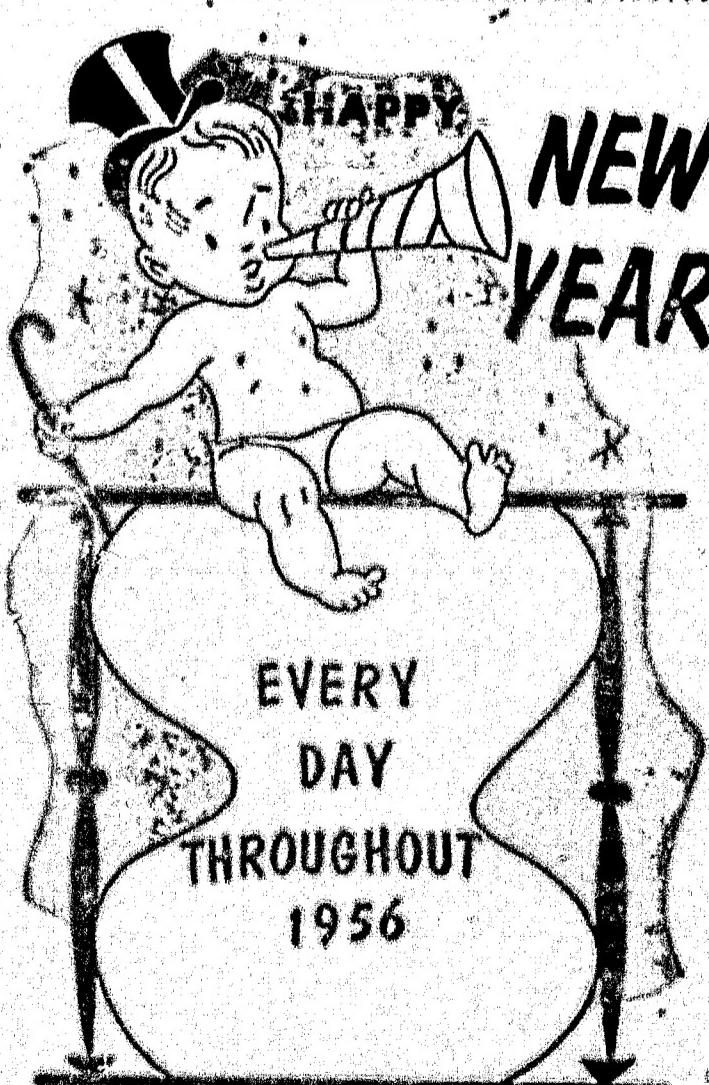




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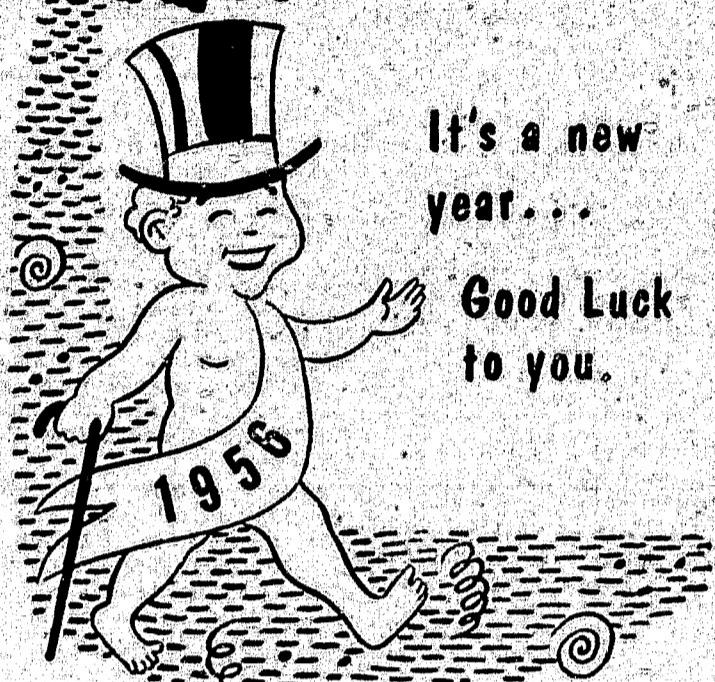
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May you have  
great joy this  
happy season

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## WEST PARIS

Mrs. Roxie Inman, C.  
Gilbert Helckness, U.S. Air  
Force, is spending a leave with his  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Helckness.

The sick and shut-ins were  
remembered with Christmas

kits by the Robekaha, Grand  
Ring-McKeen A. L. Auxiliary.

The Senior Girl Scouts had  
a party at the home of Mrs.  
Mrs. John Ring, Thursday evening,  
after Christmas carolling in town.

Alfred Hakala returned to  
West Paris Monday after spending  
several days with his wife and daugh-

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ellinor  
and Mr. and Mrs. James Young's  
daughter Jane, and George  
son were dinner guests of Mr. and  
Mrs. Charles Childs, North Paris,

Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Inman,  
Marshall and Vivian, joined  
family party at the home  
of uncle and aunt, Mr. and  
old Nevers, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Lanz

family, Miss Anita Collette,

Washington, Del., spent Chri-

tmas with their parents, Mr. and  
Charles Collette.

Miss Gloria Abbott, Miss

Collette, students at West

High, have employment at

berry's store, Nor'way, during

vacation.

Miss Eve Day and Miss

Farr are spending a few days

in Canton with Miss Farr's

and brother-in-law, Mr. and

George Marston.

The employers with their

employees of the Lewis M. Mann

factory enjoyed a Christmas

and tree Saturday afternoon.

## SOCIETY DIRECTORS

Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 51, Meets Friday evenings, Shirley Chase, Rec. Secretary, Nancy Hanscom.

Sunset Rehekna Lodge, Meets first and third Mondays, N. G. Blanche Berry, Rec. Secretary, Hilda Donahue.

Purity Chapter, No. 102, Meets first Wednesday evening, W. M. Annie Hastings, Secretary, Helen Rummels.

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Bethel Chamber of Commerce, Meets first Tuesday, President, Donald Christie, Secretary, Annie Hastings.

W. S. C. S. Methodist Church, Meets third Thursday evening, 7:30 P. M., President, Sylvia Gordon, Secretary, Barbara Green.

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Parent Teacher Association, Meets third Tuesday evening, President, Diana Douglass, Jr., Secretary, Rita Davis.

Five Town Teachers' Club, Meets first Monday evening, President, Miriam McAllister, Secretary, Twitobell.

Blund-Allen Post, No. 81, American Legion Auxiliary, Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings, President, Josephine Tripp, Secretary, Hilda Donahue.

Alder River Grange, No. 238, Bethel, Meets first and third day evenings, Master, Richard Evans, Secretary, Margarette Johnson.

Bear River Grange, No. 238, Bear River Corner, Meets every other Friday evening, Master, Paul Wright, Secretary, Ida Wright.

Bethel Auxiliary of Ram Community Hospital, Meets Monday evenings, President, Alice Thurston, Secretary, Janet Thompson.

Stamp Club meets Wednesday afternoon after school, 2:30, at Mabel O'Brien's on Paradise Street, President, Donald Christie, Secretary, Nancy Lincoln, Treasurer, Dickie Bennett.

Mt. Abram Fish and Game Association meets third Thursday, 8:00 P. M. in Locke's Mills Hall, Visitors welcome, President, Arthur Valley, Secretary, Art Cummings.

**WEST PARIS**

Mrs. Rose Inman, Cor., Gilbert Helkkinen, U.S. Air Force, is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Helkkinen. The sick and shut-ins were kindly remembered with Christmas baskets by the Rebekahs, Grange and Ring-McKeon A. L. Auxiliary.

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Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Inman, Glyn, Marshall and Vivian joined a family party at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nevers, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Lanzo and family, Miss Anita Collette, Wilmington, Del., spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collette.

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**EXTENSION MEMBERSHIP JUMPS BY TWO THOUSAND**

Maine Extension Association membership has jumped by 2,000 between the annual county meetings and the first report, says Robert M. Gruber, of Skowhegan, secretary. Counties ahead of last year's membership are Penobscot, Androscoggin-Sagadahoc, Kennebec, Central Aroostook, Southern Aroostook, and Northern Aroostook, in that order. Piscataquis County has more men Extension members than for all of last year. Extension Associations are open to everyone.

Thousands of Maine cows are bred to high-quality bulls each year through the program of the Maine Breeding Cooperative.

Refreshments were served by the girls.

Rev. and Mrs. Felix Mayblom and daughter Judith, and Mark Sundin are enjoying a week's vacation at Cape Cod, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Perham are parents of son, Roscoe Edward Jr., born at the E. M. G. Hospital, Bangor, Dec. 22. Mr. Perham is attending U. of M.

Pte Bradley Perham spent Christmas with a friend in Lodi, N. J., and is now visiting his sister, Mrs. Margaret Hempel, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Rose Butts, Hebron, spent the week end holidays with her sister, Mrs. Walter Penley.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Buck and Barry over the holidays were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Millett, and daughter, Vicki.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Curtis Jr. were her mother, Mrs. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Worth, Springfield, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Proctor and Frank Proctor, Salem, Mass.

Mrs. Grace Oliver, Portland, who had been spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Lisbeth Penley, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Proctor, Mrs. Esther Ryerson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Inman and Harry Inman were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miller Inman and Gary, on Sunday.

**PROBATE APPOINTMENTS**

The following subscribers hereby give notice that they have received the appointments as indicated from the Probate Court of Oxford County. All persons having demands against the estates represented by them are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately:

John S. Burbank, late of Bethel, deceased; Verne C. Swan of Keene, N. H. Executor without bond, Henry H. Hastings of Bethel, Agent in Maine, Dec. 6, 1955.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said December.

The following matters have been presented for the action thereupon hereinbefore indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of January A. D. 1956, at 10 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Niles L. Kellogg, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for allowance, presented by Thelma Kellogg, widow.

Ralph O. Merrill of Bethel, minor ward; Petition for license to sell real estate situated in Bethel, presented by Nora E. Merrill, guardian.

Karl J. Stearns of Bethel, adult ward; Petition for license to sell real estate situated in Bethel, presented by Gwendolyn Stearns, guardian.

D. Grover Brooks, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Dana G. Brooks, Jr., or some other suitable person as administrator of the estate of said deceased, without bond, presented by Dana G. Brooks, Jr., a son and heir-at-law.

Witness, Robert T. Smith Judge of Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

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**UPTON**

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Corres., Richard Williamson and crew have finished work on his logging job at Sunday River.

Fred Judkins has harvested his ice.

Mrs. Helen Montague of Needham, Mass., and friend from New Hampshire, stayed overnight last Friday at the "Abbott House," leaving Christmas gifts for all the children in town. They were put on the church for Saturday evening.

A large crowd was present and a very good program presented at this service. Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon sent oranges from Florida to all the children in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weeks and daughter of Nashua, N. H., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Carey and son at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Staples of York were holiday guests of her mother, Mrs. George Wight, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Judkins and family were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hathaway, Bryant Pond.

Miss Mildred Porter of Colebrook, N. H., is guest of her sister, Mrs. Malcolm Barnett, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ban Barnett entertained Mr. and Mrs. George Wight and family, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Barnett and family from town, and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wight and family of Great Works, for dinner Sunday. During the evening the Wight families went to Newry to celebrate with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wight. Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Barnett went to Colebrook, N. H., for a get-together with her relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney E. Abbott and family of East Summer were in town Saturday evening, attending the Community Tree, and later a family get-together at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hathaway.

"We all recognize the fact that many of us are likely to fall to realize the degree of impaired judgment and dulling of attention which results from the consumption of alcohol," they continued. "Tests have demonstrated that long before physical incoordination sets in, the brain's seat of judgment is depressed. This makes it difficult for the individual to determine accurately his own condition. Frequently, a feeling of well-being and over-confidence leads him to believe that he can do all things well—including driving.

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Kendrick Judkins, also present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Judkins and family, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Judkins.

Leo Bernier of Bridgeport, Conn., is working for Roland Bernier.

On Monday this week, Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Judkins and family of Rumford Point were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Judkins.

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## FROM OUR FILES

**10 YEARS AGO**  
Maurice Brooks' new home on the Middle Intervale road was nearly completed.

Charles Tuell, Harold and Lawrence Young went to Ormond Beach, Fla., where they were employed.

**20 YEARS AGO**  
A horse and carriage and a Chevrolet coupe were in collision at the foot of Church St. The horse was badly injured and had to be shot. Neither the driver or the operator of the car were hurt.

Thirty-three children were present at the Legion and Auxiliary Christmas party.

Deaths: Donald E. Hamlin, Mrs Etta Gulliver, Alton L. Day.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
Mt Abram Lodge, IOOF, and Sunset Robekah Lodge with their families held get-together in observance of the New Year. There was a short program.

Large crowds were attending dances at the Bethel Grange Hall. Deaths: Mrs Mary Agnes Barrows.

## LUMBER LOOKS AHEAD TO '56

Continued From Page One  
mendous change for the better, and today sawtimber growth is practically in balance with cut and loss.

We now have 480 million acres of forest land, compared with 491 million acres ten years ago. And we have 2,004 billion board feet of sawtimber, compared with 1,601 billion board feet ten years ago.

This re-appraisal of our timber resources, its facts repudiating many past prophecies of a timber famine, was made this year by the U.S. Forest Service.

Such a marked trend to greater lumber supply is still more impressive in view of the fact that lumber production this year—38.5 billion board feet—was the largest since 1916, according to year-end estimates.

Growing lumber as a crop has become more feasible than ever before as a result of progress in lumber manufacturing methods. There was once a fear that someday we would run out of large timbers. Now we do not have to wait for trees to grow to giant size. Ordinary alders of seasoned, defect-free lumber are glued together to provide superior timbers of any size or shape or finish specified by engineers, architects and builders.

This type of progress, in forest management and in manufacturing method, is a matter of economics. It results from market demand—the fact that lumber continues as the preferred material for home building and many other types of construction.

Although it is believed that housing starts in 1956 will decline about 100,000 below the estimated 1.5 million starts for 1955, private residential construction is expected to amount to a record \$14.6 billion, or about a third of all new construction in dollar volume.

This should mean that home building next year will use about 12 billion board feet, roughly one-third of the average annual lumber production in recent years. The trend continues to bigger and better houses accounting in part for the larger dollar volume despite fewer houses started. The better quality house today is characterized by use of wood for fine finish effects. Wood ceilings, wood panel walls, wood cabinets and wood floor have become strong sales appeal items. The popularity of hardwood flooring is shown by the fact its production increased about 10 per cent this year over last year.

Strong markets for lumber are also forecast. In commercial and residential building next year, two of the classes of construction expected to show gains over 1955. Modern suburban construction, including factories and schools, promises a greater use of wood construction because of new design trends and uses appropriate to suburban settings.

Lumber consumption this year is estimated at 42.5 billion board feet, the highest figure since our Association first began its records on construction in 1939. This figure includes exports and imports, as well as distributors' stocks.

All the evidence points to continuing strong demand, which is the essence of future increased production.

Meanwhile, there's ample lumber for the American consumer—for architects from the builders and manufacturers who buy in quantities of millions of board feet to the do-it-yourselfer who can carry his order home on his shoulder.

Many dairymen have found the Dairy Herd Improvement Association almost a necessity for profitable milk and butterfat production. Records on products and feed are enable farmers to call and feed according to each cow's producing ability.



WATERFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT truck, equipped with 500 gallon booster tank and pump—designed and completed by Bunnell Machine Co., Inc., of West Bethel. —Don Brown Photo

I REMEMBER  
BY THE OLD TIMERS

From Mrs. John B. Amon, Greenville, Pa.: I remember the "horse and buggy days"—the dust road in calm, yellow cloud from around the horses' hoofs and settled on everything far and near. The buggy, our clothing, even the horses' back bore the gritty mask. We tasted it in our mouths, it's smell entered our nostrils to mingle with the sweeteness of red and white clover.

We plodded slowly along in the heat of the summer day and as we went we gathered in all the sights, sounds and smell of the country.

No bird flew over that was not commented upon. We smelled wild strawberries and stopped to see if they were ripe, and there, in the corner of an old rail fence we gathered a bouquet of pink wild roses.

We jogged quietly along—looking at farmhouses, gardens, men working in fields, hens wallowing in the dust. When we came to Waterloo, instead of driving over the bridge, we went down the gently sloping bank into Eagle creek, where the horse gets a long cool drink and holds his nose in the water long after he is through drinking, being under the impression that he is fooling us.

A short time ago the Board's chairman, William McChesney Martin, Jr., testified before a Senate subcommittee. He made it clear that, in his view, the current "boom" has not gotten out of hand—but that there are some warning signs that spell the possibility of renewed inflation. Speaking of housing, for example, he said: "We are convinced that we are doing a disservice to householders and to the community collectively if policies are pursued, however inadvertently, which fail to recognize the pressures for credit which make the pace so fast that the pace cannot be sustained." He also said that, while every effort should be given to achieving the highest possible level of employment, "Inflation will not create jobs that can be sustained, but, quite the contrary, will undermine the stability of existing jobs and will eventually probably create two unemployed for one unemployed that might be there if we had a more reasonable pace of endeavor." It is evident throughout Mr. Martin's remarks that the Board is watching developments in the field of credit with the utmost care.

Such developments and considerations as these will have a positive influence on the economic welfare of the nation in the year we are about to begin. They are given full consideration in a forecast of what 1956 will probably bring, which appears in U.S. News & World Report of December 9.

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Total 1956 spending (which is formally known as the gross national product) is put at \$392,400,000,000 by U.S. News, as compared with an estimated \$387,100,000,000 for 1955. Currently, spending is running at close to the \$400,000,000-a-year rate, but it isn't expected that this will be maintained.

It's interesting to note who will do the spending, and in what amounts. Individuals, the U.S. News forecast says, will account for \$258,800,000,000—well over 1955. Business will spend \$50,600,000,000—under 1955. Government will enter the picture to the tune of \$77,000,000—the same figure as in 1954, but some 1,400,000,000 above 1955.

In fancy I see the long slim buckets, called "coolers" which were hung in the wells to cool the milk in summers. And when it clattered, how well do I remember my childhood task of churning in an old-time stone churn, big in the middle and little at the top, with a wooden dasher that went "flop, splash, smash"—for hours, it seemed to an impatient child. And the constant reminder from mother to keep the flies, which were legion, away from the dasher, for there were no screens in those days.

But the butter was delicious, and the gallons of buttermilk were the staple liquid with meals, except for breakfast.

There used to be an old adage, that a woman could throw out more with a spoon than a man could bring in with a scoop shovel; but she had to. In those days there was no way to prevent spoilage of foods, after they were cooked or removed from cans, except to eat them; and many a hapless young'un was urged to eat unwanted food "to keep it from spoiling."

*These contributions to this column is The Old Timers' Community Press Service, Frankfort, Kentucky.*

Baltimore, Md., Daily Record: "Every merchant and manufacturer knows that there is a point of diminishing returns in the process of raising prices. They know too that it is possible to price an article completely out of its potential market. This is a point which a few labor leaders might well take to heart, for labor too can price itself out of its market."

BORN  
In Bangor, Dec. 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Perham of West Paris, son, Roscoe Edward Jr.

DIED  
In Bethel, Dec. 24, D. Grover Brooks, aged 61 years.

In Bryant Pond, Dec. 22, Mrs. Nellie A. Billings, aged 78 years.

In Rumford, Dec. 23, Wanda Lee, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Waterhouse of Bethel.

## SONG POND

Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corra, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Annichiarico and son of Harrison, N.J., were callers at Earlon Keniston's Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Lute Andrews were dinner guests there on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lapham and Peanut were Christmas dinner guests of her daughter, Mrs. Dillon and family, in Poland.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kimball were Christmas Day guests of Arthur Kimball at Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lapham and son were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Arnaudault and family at Gorham, N.H. Mr. and Mrs. William Bancroft, Judy and Richard, were Christmas Day guests of the Bruce Smiths of Waterford and Mrs. Agnes Lahti of East Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bean and children visited relatives in Rangeley over Christmas week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball and family and Mrs. Irene Hutchinson visited relatives in Unity on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston entertained at supper Christmas night, Warren Lapham, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lapham and Byron, Mr. and Mrs. William Kimball and three children of South Waterford.

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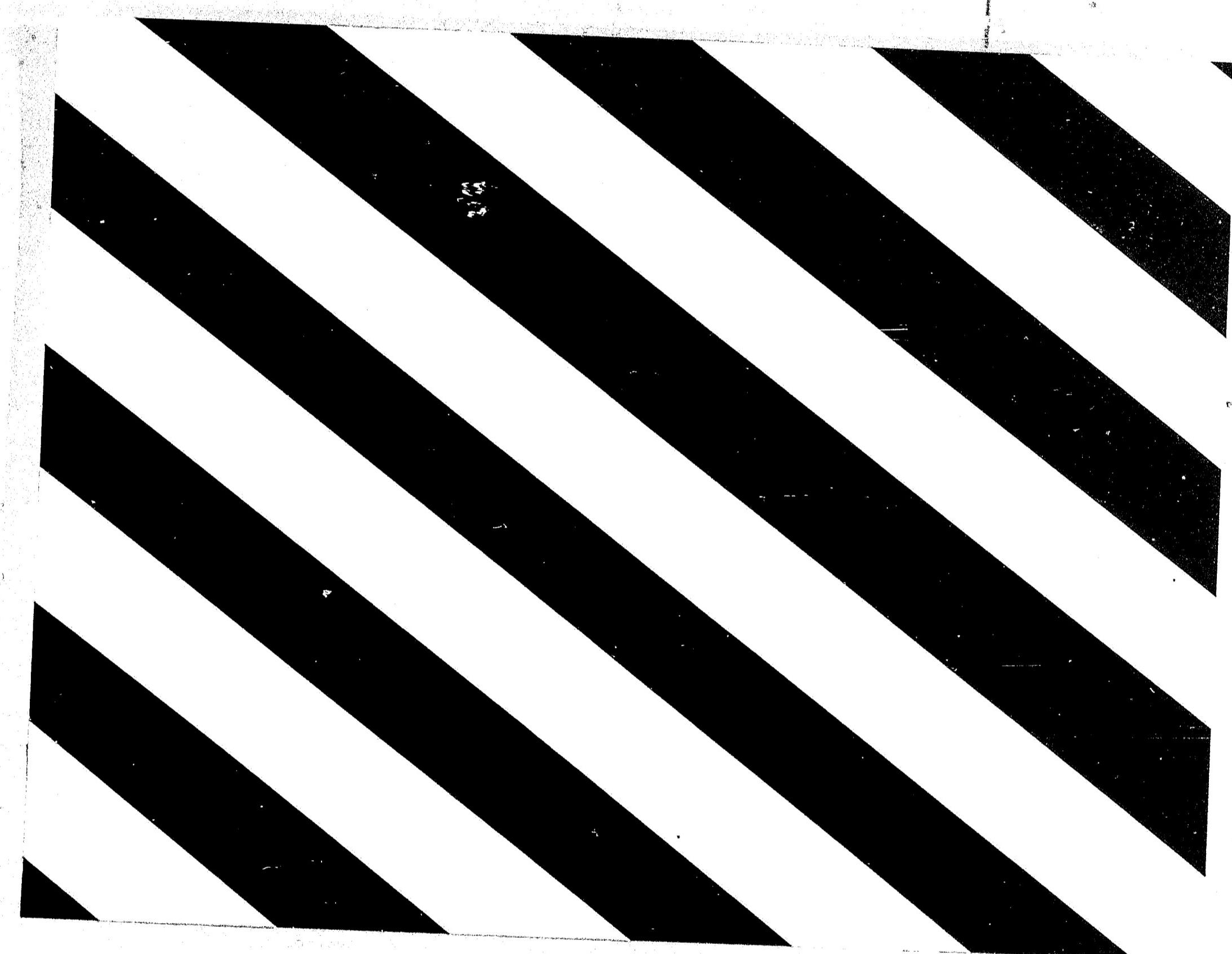
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